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********** CHI DELTA MU **********

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Happy, Happy Birthday
And a very happy year
To CHI DELTA MU

Editorial
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As many of you know, this month marks the second birthday of our Chapter. Carol Beecroft came to our area and established CHI DELTA MU as a Chapter of the Sorority.

Our first year as a Chapter was an establishment period, for we had less than ten Sisters in the group. This time last year held great promise for us, and I think that all would agree that what has takenplace over the past year was beyond anyone's fondest wishes. Radio and television programs, newspaper articles, Chapter meetings with very interesting themes, etc.

We are about to begin our new meeting season this September, and every indication is that we will have a better year than last!

I'm sure that pleases everyone. However, there are two very important components of this kind of success. One is the active participation of sufficient Sisters in all Chapter activities. We've been very successful there, with new Sisters becoming active, and we hope that this will continue. The second component is more difficult to define, but has been discussed previously in this column. That is, we are really limited in our activities often by the limitations we place upon ourselves, for whatever reasons. I think that the more we truly realize this, the more we will grow, both as individuals and as a Chapter.

And there is the main reason for our Chapter, to "grow". That is accomplished by OUR SISTERHOOD! Something to be cherished, and always nurished. Alone there is little hope, together our limitations are unlimited!

Chapter Promotion & Activities
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...23 inquiries were sent to us as a result of the Phil Donahue program. Your Editor has been in touch with many of these people, and I'm sure that we will have several new members as a result of the program.

...Our Chapter was featured on WOR-TV Channel 9 the week of August 15th THREE times ("Nine On New Jersey"). Unfortunately I could not see it but from all reports it was a very good program. Yet another new source for membership! On behalf of the Chapter I want to thank all those Sisters and wives who participated!

...I have not heard if Carol Beecroft's letter to the RECORD was either in whole or part printed in the paper (see July newsletter). Let's hope that it does.

...We plan on having elections for office in either November or December. If you are interested in holding office in the Chapter, please let me know. Write a brief description of the reasons you want to hold a particular office and what you would like to do for the Chapter. I will publish this information in future newsletters. Positions open are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary.

...If you have not yet done so, please let Lynda know of your ratification of the Chapter's Charter.

...A reminder, you MUST be a member of the national organization to be a Chapter Sister. For new ladies, if you want a courtesy card will be issued to you which will be good for 3 months and enable you to attend our meeting before you make your decision to join or not join us. You can join the national organization by contacting Carol Beecroft (P. O. Box 194, Tulare, CA. 93275). Annual dues are $25.00, but if you are in a tight financial situation, you can join without paying. Contact Carol.

...Edith Marie (NY-319-W), reports that she is starting to do a booming business as Chapter Librarian. We've acquired quite an extensive collection (see July newsletter, and since then other titles have been added). This, I'm sure, is especially helpful for new members. As a Sister, you

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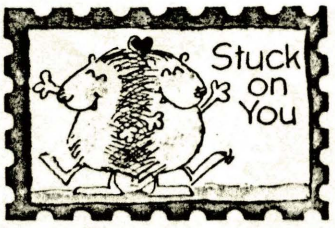
are able to use the Library of books/tapes/etc., for only your return postage. Contact Edith Marie as follows: Don Williams, Draw R, Valley Cottage, New York 10989.

...Your Editor has been in contact with Cindy of Hartford, Ct. Cindy is a member of our national organization and is trying to start a Chapter in Hartford. We've offered to help in whatever way we can, and I've forwarded to Cindy several inquiries resulting from the recent publicity events. Cindy and several other Sisters were interviewed by the Hartford CURRANT (like our RECORD article, only better I thought). Cindy has developed a "TV Network: An Alternative Life Style Support System". This is a 17 page directory of groups, stores, etc., where the crossdresser can contact for support/services. If you would like a copy, you can reach Cindy as follows: Fred Violette, P. O. Box 14674, Hartford, Ct. 06114. Although Cindy has not mentioned it I think that you should provide an envelop already posted (.40 cents), and a donation for reproduction costs.

...And while we are speaking about directories, Carol's was very good, but too bad we had so few listings for our area. Let's face it ladies, you do shop somewhere! Why can't we produce our own directory of stores that welcome our $$$? Seems like a worthwhile project, and, AGAIN, any volunteers?

...At this time I want to thank all you GALs (Geographic Area Leaders), who have been helping me with the flood of inquiries. I think that the GAL network is most important for us to succeed as a Chapter, as we are not geographically a close group. It is this type of Sister-support that makes us successful, and helps those who are new to the organization. Again, thanks!



Meetings
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Our 1983-1984 meeting program has been developed and is listed as follows:

...September 10. A visit by Muriel Olive to tell us about her boutique and the TV specialities she offers. An electrologist friend of her's may also come along.

...October 8. A visit by Dr. Garret Openheim of CONFIDE and of recent, the Bergen RECORD.

...November 12. A repeat of this Spring's lingerie shopping opportunity by Undercoverwear, Ltd. Also, the possibility of election of Chapter officers.

...December 10. A "field trip" to Merle Norman in Ft. Lee, plus our annual holiday party with gift exchange.

...January 14. Formal (!), installation of Chapter officers.

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Thank you, Jamie!

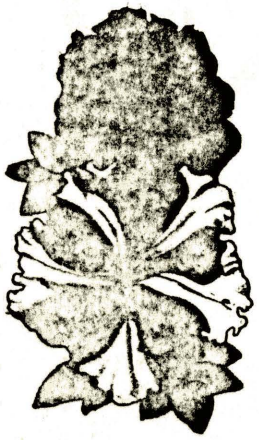
For the Spring of 1984 we have tentatively scheduled a program on self-defense for TVs, and a program on the religious aspects and implications of crossdressing.

September's and November's meeting will be in Westchester County, October's and December's will be in New Jersey.

The Chapter meets on the second Saturday of each month. We charge a $10.00 meeting fee to cover the cost of room and refreshment. There is NEVER an extra charge if you bring your wife or girlfriend!

It is VERY important that we can plan on the number of people who will attend our meeting. Please fill in the coupon below and send to our hostess for September:

Ms. Renata White
P. O. Box 403
Riverside, Ct. 06878



Yes, I plan on attending the 9/10 meeting.

Name: _____

Phone: (_____)_____

Directions Needed ? _____

Going Out
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"The Beauty Shop"

by JoAnne (NY-S)

Last week I accomplished one of my long time desires, I went to a Merle Norman Studio for one of their make overs. It was a very interesting and rewarding experience. This studio was in Nanuet on Route 59 in Rockland County. About 2 weeks prior to my "make over" I went in to set up the appointment. As I did not know how the owner would react, I just went as my male self. As I walked to the studio, I aborted the first attempt when I noticed that there was a customer in the place already. At this point in the usual paranoid TV mind I felf like everyone in the world was watching me walk up to the place. I returned about an hour later just as the place was closing and only the propriatoress was there.

She greeted me very friendly and asked if she could help. As pictures are better than words, I showed her some of myself and I explained that I wanted to become proficient at make up. She was very nice about it and we made an appointment for two weeks hence.

Not daring to go out in public without the aid of make up as my femme self, I went "straight" to the session. I did, however, have my wig and heels in my case and wore suitable unisex jeans and shirt. When I arrived at 7 PM daylight savings time, and wishing it was darker, there were two customers inside. Nan, the owner, called for me to come in. Wondering what the two customers there were thinking, I looked around the place nervously for 5 minutes (it seemed like hours), while they finished up.

Nan and I discussed the make over arraingment. There is no charge for the instructions, but she expects a purchase of at least $25.00 in products. I said "OK", and we started. After cleansing and moisturizing my face, we went through base, eyes, blushes and lipstick. Nan did one side and I did the other.

Everything was going on without a hitch; the whole process took about an hour when r whole life flashed in front of me. I had just decided upon the proper lipstick shade (pink), when it seemed the whole world entered the shop. A young woman in her lat teens and about six of her friends, male anc female, came in. She knew Nan and wanted t purchase some eye shadow. I couldn't decid what to do so I continued as if my sitting in front of a mirror in full makeup was the most normal thing in the world. In a minute or so one of the males decided that the rest of them should wait outside. The worst wa over.

I finished getting my purchases together an left. The next day I called Nan with a couple of questions as I had sort of rushed out. She said that the girl mentioned that she could not believe how good I looked. Well! That made my day right then and there. If you are ever in the area and need some good makeup advice, go see Nan. She considerate and helpful.

Treasurer's Report
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Beginning Cash Balance (7/1).....$252.34

Receipts.....(none)

Expenses (postage).....(57.51)

Ending Cash Balance (7/31).....$194.83

Listed below is a roster of current membership. I believe several Sisters are missing (i.e., Karen/Josephine), so please advise Lynda of your current status if not correctly presented. Also, if you want to correspond with someone, please write your letter, seal and post it and send it on to me in a larger envelop. I'll forward it for you.

contact your Treasurer as follows:
L. Frank, P.O. Box9192, Morristown, New Jersey 07960.

Name	Code	Zip	Dues
Andria	NJ-308-M	08903	5/84
Barbara	NY-307-B	11735	6/83
Carole	NY-207-S	11418	10/83
Carole Ann	NY-M	12110	12/83
Claire	NY-208-S	10598	10/83
Donna	TRI-ESS	60505	4/84
Connie	NY-25-N	14701	3/84
Dorothy	NJ-1-G	07712	4/84
Edith Marie	NY-319-W	10989	12/83
Eileen	NY-11-J	12603	5/83
Eileen	NY-313-T	10952	4/84
Elizabeth	NY-D	10602	3/84
Felicity	NY-16-M	12601	1/84
Frances	NJ-10-B	07628	11/83
Jana	NJ-304-T	07093	1/84
Janet	NJ-K	07701	1/84
Janet Lee	NY-303-F	11518	2/83
JoAnne	NY-S	10950	12/83
Joan	NY-9-F	12603	1/84
Joan	NJ-204-G	07857	5/84
Joyce	NJ-206-M	07901	10/83
Laura	NY-304-F	10977	1/83
Lynda	NJ-307-F	07960	4/84
Marion	NY-210-G	10034	11/83
Marlene	NY-314-B	11214	4/84
Mary Jane	NY-206-M	12602	10/83
Nancy	NY-D	11433	12/83
Nora Helene	NJ-202-C	07036	10/83
Patricia	CT-8-G	06870	10/83
Rachel	NY-R	10021	2/83
Renata Lee	CT-102-W	06878	1/84
Sharon	NY-311-W	10602	3/84
Suzie	NJ-G	07092	2/84
Janine	NY-A	10019	4/84
Tina	NJ-303-E	07650	4/84
Yvonne	NY-331-R	12602	1/84
Wilma	NJ-300-Y	07423	3/84

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Crossdressing and the Law
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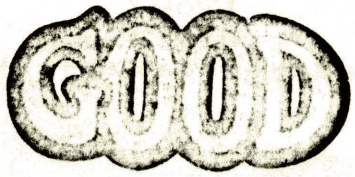
Part 2

(OUR TRANSCRIPTION OF THE NEW YORK AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, AS REPRESENTED BY MR. CHRIS HANSEN, ESQ., CONTINUES.)

"We talked a little bit earlier about having a lawyer available in case you face criminal law problems. I think that that's very good advice. I think that arrest is a very traumatic experience and it would be a particular traumatic experience if it happens to you. Traumatic and embarrassing and I think that is is very good advice to have a lawyer you can call. You should understand that you are going to need a lawyer who you can reach off hours and non business hours and be sure that if you have a lawyer and these problems arise, that you have the lawyer's home number so that there is some way you can reach him or her off business hours otherwise you're likely to spend the evening in jail waiting for some one to come and deal with the problem, that is, if you run up against a police department determined to do something like that.

The next question that was raised with me is what is the general attitude among law enforcement people and the legal profession toward the behavior which all of you engage and I haven't the faintest idea as to how to answer that question. I suspect that the range of attitudes varies as much in the legal profession and the police profession as it does in any profession. I suspect that there are many lawyers who are very sympathetic and many lawyers who are totally unsympathetic. I suspect that the same is true of the police. My guess would be that in recent years police have become more, if not sympathetic, aware, and probably lawyers as well. But I think you meet with the full range of attitudes.

What should you do if you are stopped by the police for a traffic violation or something like that? I don't know the answer to that. As a lawyer I am obligated to tell you that the answer is to tell the truth and you should not be deceptive in any way. And that is probably good advice even if it were the only thing I'm ethically supposed to say. Its probably good advice because the degree to which you are deceptive increases the risk of a particular officer being unhappy or angry with you and given the vagueness of the kinds of laws that apply, and give the laws that exist that would be inaccurately but possibly applied, it is probably a good idea anyway. So I guess my advice would be to be perfectly hones about the situation. I would also not make a big deal of it; I would downplay the situation as much as I could. I wouldn't volunteer complications where they don't exist. If you're being stopped because you have a busted tail light and the cop is simply telling you to fix the tail light, I wouldn't volunteer any information that you don't need to volunteer. But if asked I would be honest about it.



The next question asked me is what recourse do yo have should you be intimidated or threatened by you employer. And I guess the next one which is a relate one is should you be degraded or embarrassed after public incident what recourse do you have. As I said earlier, the Constitution only applies to public action, action by the government. So, if an employer fires you because he has learned of the behavior or embarrasses you, there is no Constitutional recours for that at all unless the employer is a public agency. If it is a public agency, you may well have some recourse. The law says that in addition to all the union kinds of things you can't fire a public employee for reasons unrelated to the job. I am unaware of any case in which the precise issue has been raised as to whether your off hours behavior would be considered related to the job in any way. It seems perfectly clear to me that it is not, but the issue has never been raised as far as I know. And th same thing I've said about police and lawyers is true of judges; some of them are sympathetic and some a not, some are understanding, and some are not. So i it is a public employer you may have some recourse, i it is a private employer you probably don't have any recourse unless you have a contract or a union, or unless the city or state in which you live has passed some sort of special law protecting your particular rights. In New York City as you may or may not kno there is a special order issued by the mayor which protects against discrimination on the basis of 'affectional preference', in any employment. People who contract with the city. To the best of my knowledge this has never been applied in this contex (our situation). Whether it would be applied in this context or not, I just don't know.

But that raises the more general question. What we' been talking about so far is essentially what the lav is and what the potential rights you actually have at the present. As I've said at the beginning, the purpose of the Civil Liberties Union is to try to

extend peoples' rights and to create new rights for people. The New York State ordinance had been challenged unsuccessfully in the mid '60's. Similar ordinances, however, have been challenged in other states, more recently, successfully, and have been struck down as unconstitutional. And, in legal terms, the difference between the mid '60's and the mid '80's is reasonably considerable. It is possible that if a similar issue was raised today a different result would obtain. I can't say that it is likely, but is is possible. And similarly, as I talked about another example viz. the mayor's Executive Order, as I said no one has ever raised the question as to whether the mayor's order might apply to your group or not. That is another area in which there is room for litigation if somebody wanted to make a challenge to those kinds of problems. The difficulty with raising challenges to the statutes, the mayor's Executive Order, or any of the other kinds of statutes that you might face as a test case issue trying to challenge the Constitutionality of these issues. The problem with that is that it is time consuming, can be reasonably public, and there is no guarentee of success. In the instances of challenges to these kinds of issues...what were the facts of your arrest, but is there a way we can challenge the law, the Civil Liberties Union would be sympathetic to discussing representing you in that context. But as I say you have to understand that challenges to the Constitutionality of the New York State statutes or to interpretations of the mayor's Order or the other kinds of issues that might arise could conceiveably leave you open to a lot of attention.

And we can and do try in situations like this (the abortion context is the best example), to make the plaintiffs as anonymous as possible, but there is never a guarentee of that occuring. On the other hand, if you have been arrested and for some reason convicted, it may be worth the effort for the embarrassment might be over at that point and it might be worth the effort to fight it. I would urge, as I said earlier, each of you to make some sort of contact with a lawyer in your area who you think might be sympathetic. If you have doubts about finding such a person I'd be happy to a refer you to one, at least in the city. I suspect that if I got in touch with the New Jersey or Connecticut offices of the ACLU, the could do as well.

Then, in addition, if the issue appears to raise a broader concern, that the statute is unconstitutional, that there are new ways in which we can extend the rights of the population, I think that you should feel free to call us in whichever state the incident occurs. In New York it would be me. I'd be happy to discuss the possibility of representing any of you should that situation arise."

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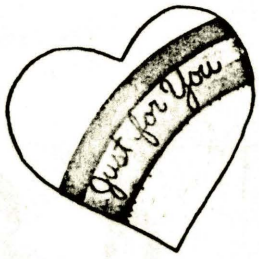

More From Jana
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DEDUCTION DILEMMA

Because of business commitments, June and four of her midwestern TV friends -- including Ms. Black -- all found themselves in Chicago on the same Friday evening. They decided to dress and attend a show together at the Baton Club. As they watched the talented impersonators perform, each sipped on a different type of drink mentioned in the clues below. From these clues, can you determine each lady's full name and her choice of refreshment?

1. **The ginger ale and Sangria were not ordered by Ms. Brown or Ms. Gray.**
2. **Ms. Green -- who lives just across the Mississippi River from Jean -- chose the Tom Collins.**
3. **Neither Jan nor Jean chose white wine or a Dacquiri.**
4. **Jane and Ms. Brown are both from Peoria.**
5. **Ms. White lives in the same city as the sister who ordered the Sangria.**
6. **Jean's best friend in the group does not drink.**
7. **Neither Joan's or Ms. Gray's drink included distilled spirits.**

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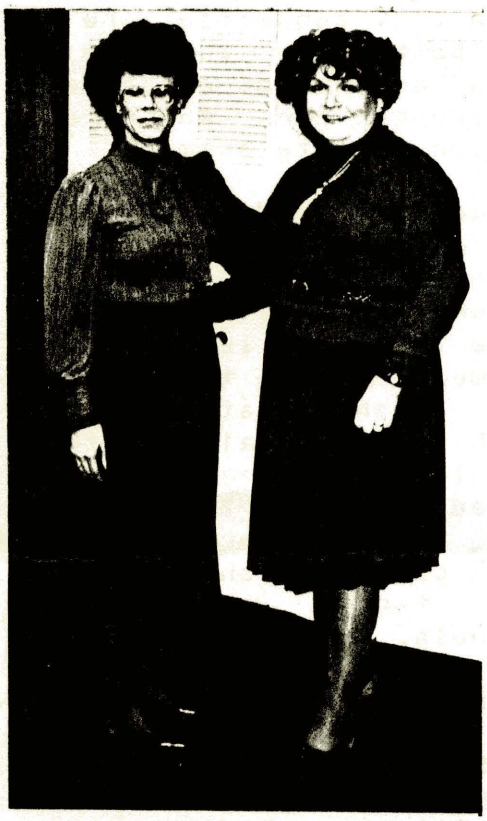
CHI DELTA MU CHAPTER LADIES

1982 - 1983

DRESSING SEASON

very sweet and dear



HOPE TO SEE YOU

IN 1983 - 1984 ! ! !

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HAVE FUN!

More of Judy's Summer Vacation

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"My trips to the soda shop, beach, and boardwalk will be etched in my memory forever! Though it was only one week ago that Judy ventured out for the first time, it seemed that it had just happened.

Fortunately, my aunt's mother was on the road to recovery. Also, fortunately, this would mean that Judy could come 'out' on several occasions before her brother had to return home from the beach and prepare for fourth grade. My relatives had to go to the city again, and I'd be left alone to do my 'thing'.

It was a very humid Tuesday in late August. I awoke at 4 AM, still thrilled at the fact that I had slept in a pretty pink nightgown belonging to my cousin, Susan. I had carefully appropriated it the night before from the wash basket. I threw off the sheet, put on my boy's bathrobe, and went into the bathroom. I replaced the delicate treasurer, for I feared that I would be brought rudly out of a deep, delicious sleep later by my older male cousin, and sure to be put through some tough times if he found me in his sister's nightie. I looked forward to returning home when I had more opportunities to 'borrow' my sister's sleepware, especially that long flannel one with flowers once January set in and that would be more appropriate to keep warm than anything I could think of (an excuse I was concockting for myself should I ever get caught in my sister's nightgown).

I eagerly anticipated the day. All relatives were going to the city to see my aunt's mother home from the hospital. My uncle said that they would be back at the beach by 5 PM, and that he would call me around noon to see how I was doing. When asked what my plans were for the day, I responded:

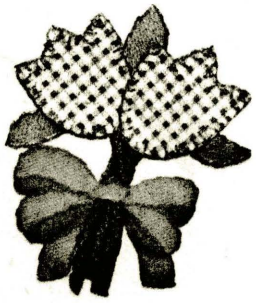
'Oh, just the usual stuff, beach, bike riding, and just plain fun'. 'Good', said my uncle, and they were off to the city.

My first act was to don Susan panties, a red flowerly pair. They f well and I was pleased. I w uncertain about going 100% girl till had heard from my uncle at noo fearing that they would retu unexpectedly for one reason or anothe Nevertheless, I did not want to was the chance to at least have SO girlish pleasures for the next 2 1 hours. I decided to wear the panti under my boy's bathing suit and go the beach for a swim.

I met the same girl I had met la week, both as Judy and as Judy brother. She was quite friendly, a said, 'Hi, how are you and yo sister?' I quickly responded to t effect that we were both fine and ask how the water was. 'Too ma jellyfish. You know how late August at the beach'. I suggested one qui swim and we both dived in. The wat was both dirty and had more than enou 'stingers' which can turn anyone off a beach vacation in late summer.

Out we came and grabbed our towels stretch out and dry our bodies. T girl, whose name was Ellen, asked, 'H long are you and Judy staying here?' said that we would be leaving at t end of the week. She too would leaving then, as she related that h family's beach house rental was throu Friday, the 31st. She said that s really enjoyed her time at the shor but was also looking forward to t return of school. Both she and I we entering the fourth grade, but different schools.

Ellen said that she was suprised abo my desire to also get back to school for, 'Most boys I know do not li school.' 'Maybe I'm not like most bo you know, Ellen', I replied. answered in a rather daring way.



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'What do you mean?', asked Ellen. 'Well, not everyone is the same. Can you imagine if every kid you knew was the same as you or someone else? Pretty dumb world don't you think?' Ellen agreed that it would be a rather dull and trying world if that were the case, especially if everyone was like her kid brother, Jim. 'Ugh, what a pain in the rump,' she said.

We both drifted off to a quiet rest for about 20 minutes. Ellen suddenly said, 'What's that sticking out of your bathing suit; looks like a pair of panties that I have.' I rapidly got up and looked. The evidence was clear. I boldly said, 'yes!', without thinking. I told Ellen that for some reason, which I could not understand, I must express the fact that I am a girl, both inwardly by my feelings, and outwardly, by wearing feminine apparel. I said that Judy and I are really the same person, and that if you liked Judy, you'd like me!

Ellen gasped and said, 'I'm happy for you, for you are truly a nice person!' I said, 'I'm glad, for too long I had been afraid about sharing my girlish feelings with another person. Thanks!'

I asked if Ellen would come over to my uncle's house after lunch. She said that she would have to check with her mother, but did not see any problems as the house was only two blocks from her's.

I arrived back at my uncle's just in time from his call. All was on schedule and they would be back around 5. 'Yes, everything was fine and I was just going back to the beach for a swim after digesting my lunch,' I related to him.

Lunch was quickly dispensed of, and Judy donned the flowerly panties, Susan's vest, crinoline, shoes, etc., the same outfit I first ventured out in that unforgettable day. After fixing my hair and adding appropriate accessories, I was ready for Ellen's visit.

She knocked on the door about 1 minutes after Judy was ready. Her eye were glued on me. 'My gosh, you reall are pretty!' 'Thanks,' I responde while I rapidly went to cloud nine! said; 'Ellen, I really don't know ho to tell you that I'm me because I'm me The only thing I'll say is that I' glad to be me, if that makes any sense and glad to know someone like you. 'Don't worry, Judy, for I know that yo are truly a nice person, be you boy o girl, and what else counts?', responde Ellen. I was delighted beyon expression.

Ellen suggested we go for a walk on th boardwalk. I agreed and said, 'Wh don't we stop at a place I know an have a soda?' I told her of m previous outing and that the lady wh ran the store knew me as Judy. Elle said, 'OK', and off we went as tw happy, young girls out for some girlis fun!"

Our Readers Write
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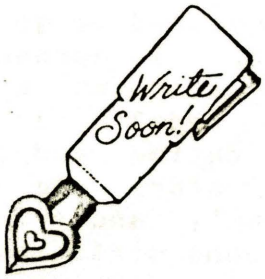
..."Dear Mary Jane and Nora Helene! The latest issue of OUR SPECIAL JOY was outstanding. Especially when I see how many people were involved with the newsletter itself, either writing or helping get it to the printer. You girls have a wonderful spirit and I feel most fortunate to have a chapter which is so vibrant! You gals are terrific!...My best regards go to you sizzling girls of CHI DELTA MU. We need more chapters like yours!" (Carol Beecroft, national leader).

..."...here's a good hint for the TV members and also for our wives. Cover Girl has a 'new' (how new I don't really know), item called Gloss Boss. Its a nail buffer on one side and two surfaces on the other side for: 1) very fine emery abrassive and 2) even finer abrassive. Follow the directions: use blade 'buff' (the emery), every 2 weeks or so, followed by the white buff. Finish with the gray (finest), for a high gloss. Use the gray every day or two to keep the high gloss. Actually, the result is almost as glossy as using clear polish. I don't use clear polish but some of the men I know do. If you want a medium/high gloss without the bother of polish, Gloss Boss is just the thing. I don't use the gray buff daily as they suggest because I'm not yet ready to have my nails THAT shiny. The gloss lasts pretty long. You abrade and buff ACROSS the nails to remove ridges and unevenness...". (Edith Marie, NY-319-W)

..."Yes, I am a big user (of the Chapter Library), and have developed a very extensive correspondance with Edith Marie. Even though I may have said that before. I am glad I joined and am sorry I didn't earlier. It has given me such pleasure to be able to meet other Sisters and have people like you share our joy and problems with". (Andria, NJ-308-M).



Food For Thought
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"Acceptance"

by Marlene (NY-314-B)

"We know who we are so we come to accept ourselves. I know. I've been a TV for almost 15 years ever since I was 15 and I had to dress as a woman for a party...So why did I become a TV? I enjoyed the experience of femininity. I could not repress my feelings, nor hide them. Sure, I thought I was gay, but knew I was a man, secure in my masculinity...Many times I said to myself, 'this is abnormal', and threw away my femme clothes! However, when I heard of TRI ESS, I knew this was not the case...Many so called 'experts' on the subject of transvestism are really not experts at all. After all, how many really are TVs themselves? Very few if any...We are the experts. We are secure in our male selves and and our femme selves. With the help of my correspondance with TRI-ESS members and the meetings I developed a great appreciation for my femme self. Marlene is a person, a very real person who is responsive to her Sisters' needs. In a way you might say I was 'reborn' when I came to accept myself by joining the Chapter...So, all you Sisters! Help another Sister. Write them, let them know who you are, and above all, let them know you care. If we sit by and do nothing, we will only become frustrated. Support your Chapter and enjoy your femme selves to the fullest. This is what I mean by acceptance...You can't do this alone. Believe me, when you are with a group all your fears and guilts will disappear. You will be part. You will be yourself. This is what it is all about. Be yourself and your femme self. Accept yourself without guilt".

(Ed. note: from the July 1982 newsletter, so WELL put by Marlene that since we have had many new members over the past year I thought that this lovely piece would be appreciated by them and all!)

In Case You Missed It
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"I have just finished powdering my nose and touching up my eye makeup. Along with adjusting my Hanes pantyhose and my noncling slip, I am ready to chat.

I have just returned from Aurora Mall, where I bought some Elizabeth Arden nail polish and matching lipstick fro the cosmetic center. The girl who waited on me also had gorgeous long, mesmerizing nails. We chatted about various nail polishes and agreed that Elizabeth Arden was by far the best. We compared nail lengths and shapes, and agreed that the artificial nails in the new nail salons are very beautiful and cannot be belittled by any means.

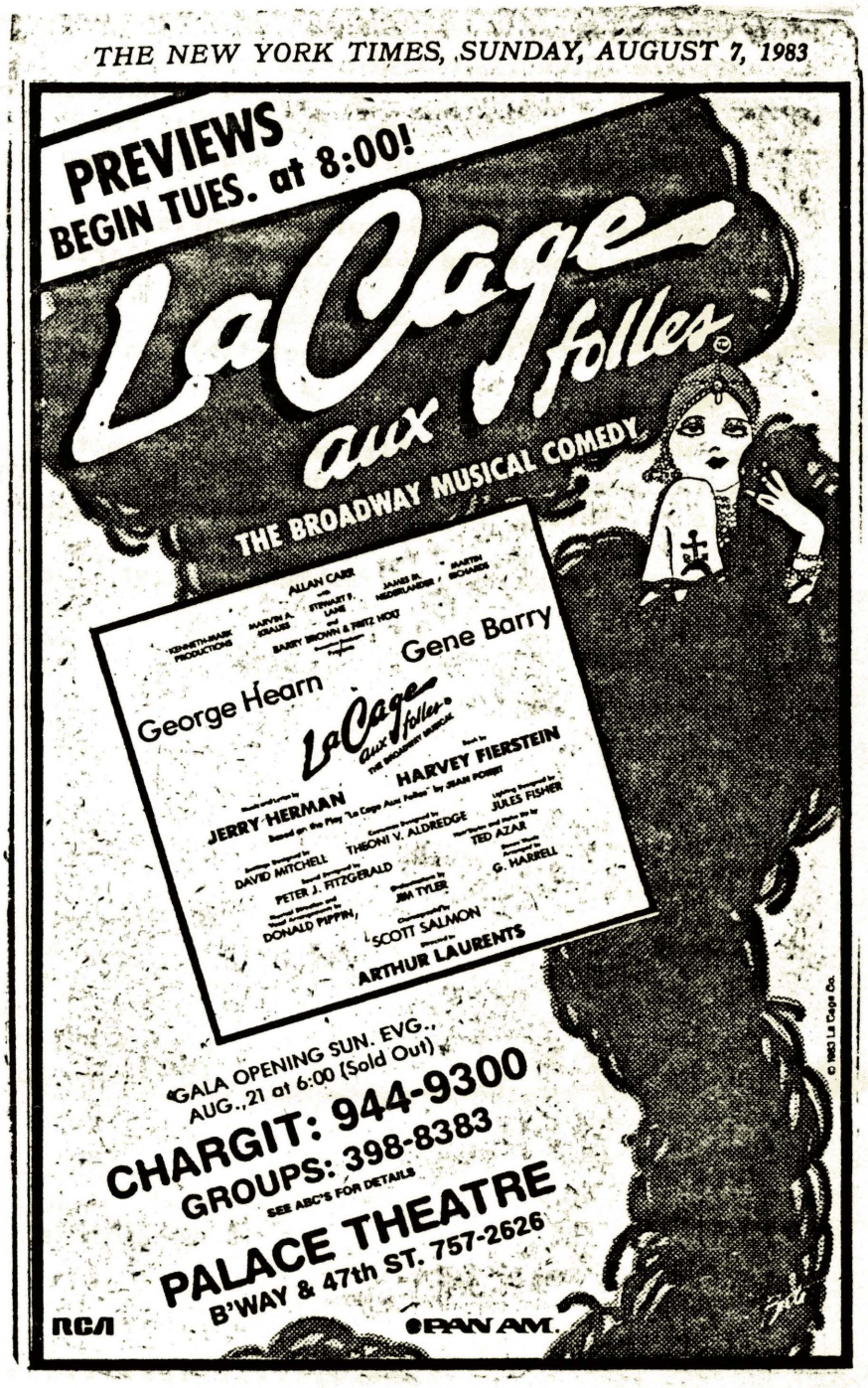
My first stop this morning was the nail salon where a gorgeously dressed lady did my nails. They are beautiful, particularly now as I write. My next stop was Baker's where I bought a beautiful pair of wood heeled pumps. The shoes feel as if I were in another world, as I walked down the mall at 11 A.M. With my skirt wispering against my freshly shaven legs, with my long black wig trailing, my scintillating walk is indeed an experience to behold. What a joy it is! I am fooling the world.

Yes, I am a transvestite. I enjoy nothing more than dressing to the hilt. My wife is now making me a new skirt and blouse. The material is fantastic.

When I am not in women's clothes, I have fantasies of being in them. You could say that I live my fantasies."

"Men In Love"
Nancy Friday, Dell Books,
1980, pp. 426-427.

Thanks, Marlene, for sending this in. I'm sure that you will not find too many of our members disagreeing with this assessment.



SOLUTION

There are more than enough clues here to help the solver. For instance, Clues 2 and 4 tell us that Jane cannot be Ms. Green and Jean is not Ms. Brown. But let's start with who ordered which drink.

Ms. Green ordered a Tom Collins (Clue 2). Since Ms. Gray ordered neither Sangria or ginger ale (Clue 1), but did choose a drink without distilled spirits (Clue 7), her preference was white wine. The Sangria drinker is not Ms. Brown (Clue 1) or Ms. White (Clue 5), so she must be Ms. Black. Ms. Brown did not order ginger ale (Clue 1); the person who did was Ms. White ... and Ms. Brown requested the Dacquiri.

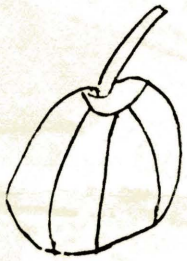
Jean ordered neither a Dacquiri or white wine (Clue 3), nor did she order a Tom Collins (Clue 2) or ginger ale (Clue 6). Her preference was Sangria ... and her last name, therefore, is Black.

Ms. Brown, who enjoyed the Dacquiri(s), is not Jane (Clue 4), Jan (Clue 3), or Joan (Clue 7). So her first name is June.

Since Ms. Gray ordered white wine, she cannot be Jan (Clue 3) or Joan (Clue 7). Her name is Jane. Joan didn't order a Tom Collins (Clue 7); she selected ginger ale ... and is Ms. White. Ms. Green's first name, therefore, is Jan.

To summarize names and refreshment orders:

Jean Black - Sangria
June Brown - Dacquiri
Jane Gray - White wine
Jan Green - Tom Collins
Joan White - Ginger ale



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